

21 February 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Bacalis

At 1030 this morning I met with Mr. Larry Houston on our redraft of the TACKLE agreement. Mr. Houston read the documents very carefully several times and his general impression was that our rewrite was closer to our original and existing agreement and looked good from his viewpoint. He did question the wording of paragraph 3 on page 6 and specifically the word component. He thought it should be made clear that the [redacted] personnel we are talking about are the pilots only and as a result of an operational or training flight. The way paragraph 3 is presently written would mean that if a [redacted] guard at the gate were hit by a truck or some other such accident occurred, we would be legally responsible for death or disability benefits for the guard. 25X1X7 25X1A9a

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In addition he reminded me that he had met with [redacted] last week when John made him aware of the [redacted] proposal and that he, Mr. Houston, advised that from a legal standpoint [redacted] should show the final mutually agreed to agreement to the Ambassador at [redacted] and that if, in fact, [redacted] had to sign the paper, the Ambassador should be present at the meeting to lend some authority and official status to the agreement. 25X1A9a 25X1X7

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